

DCA Programs



Are you doing great things for the environment? Do you participate in voluntary environmental events? Does your workplace go above and beyond regulatory requirements? If you answered yes, then [KY EXCEL](#) is a program for you.



The [Operator Certification Program](#) trains and certifies wastewater and drinking water system operators to ensure that these environmental professionals are qualified and prepared to properly treat and protect Kentucky's water resources.



The [Brownfield Program](#) helps communities and property owners identify meaningful solutions that encourage the cleanup and redevelopment of underused, contaminated properties.



Environmental laws can often be confusing and challenging. The [Environmental Compliance Assistance Program](#) helps regulated entities understand and comply with environmental obligations, advocates for entities under represented in the regulatory process and facilitates moving beyond compliance to environmental leadership.

Air Permits Out for Public Notice

The following permits are out for public notice. The 30-day notice begins on the dates listed with each individual notice. For details regarding these permit notices, visit <http://air.ky.gov/Pages/PublicNoticesandHearings.aspx>.

7/13/10 CC Metals and Alloys Inc.
7/13/10 Tennessee Valley Authority
7/14/10 Martek Biosciences Corp.
7/15/10 Fischer Special Manufacturing Co.
7/15/10 Mouser Custom Cabinetry LLC
7/22/10 Link-Belt Construction Equipment LP
7/27/10 Novelis Corp.
7/27/10 Kentucky Electric Steel Acquisition Co.
7/28/10 Certain Teed Gypsum and Ceiling Manufacturing Inc.
7/28/10 Bremner Food Group Inc.
7/28/10 Kentucky Smelting Technology Inc.

New Web Site Launched

The Energy and Environment Cabinet, which includes DCA, launched its new Web site on Friday, July 30. Visit <http://dca.ky.gov/Pages/default.aspx> for a fresh, new look at the resources available and find answers to your questions about the programs within this division.

DCA Offers Floodplains, Streams and Wetlands Compliance Workshop

The purpose of the workshop, offered by DCA and the Division of Water, is to educate attendees on the hot topics and key points of the 401 Water Quality Certification, 404 U.S. Army Corps of Engineer Permits and Floodplain Stream Construction Programs. Participants will leave knowing the basics of the programs, what questions to ask before beginning any project and who to contact at the Department for Environmental Protection. Participants will not become experts in the programs, but will gain a general overview in order to avoid regulatory compliance issues. The workshop will rely on participation by the audience for experiential learning.

To purchase tickets for this event, please visit <https://kydca.ticketleap.com/stream>.

Public Hearing Notice from the Division for Air Quality

Pursuant to the public notification requirements of KRS Chapter 13A.270, the Kentucky Division for Air Quality announced a public hearing notice concerning the following proposed administrative regulations:

401 KAR 51:001. Definitions for 401 KAR Chapter 51 (Amendment)
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The division filed the proposed administrative regulations with the Legislative

Research Commission on July 14, 2010. The proposed administrative regulations will be published in the Aug. 1, 2010 issue of *Administrative Register of Kentucky*. Please refer to the public hearing notice for the time and location of the hearing, as well as the deadline for the comment period. For more information, see <http://air.ky.gov/Pages/PublicNoticesandHearings.aspx>.

EPA Releasing Environmental Justice Guidance Document

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is releasing an interim guidance document, Interim Guidance on Considering Environmental Justice During the Development of an Action, to help agency staff incorporate environmental justice into the agency's rulemaking process. The document seeks to advance environmental justice for low-income, minority and indigenous communities and tribal governments that have been historically underrepresented in the regulatory decision-making process. The guidance also outlines the multiple steps that every EPA program office can take to incorporate the needs of overburdened neighborhoods into the agency's decision-making, scientific analysis and rule development.

The EPA is seeking public feedback on how to best implement and improve the guide for agency staff to further advance efforts toward environmental justice. To view the interim guidance and submit feedback, [click here](#).

EPA Changes to Kentucky Coal Mine Permit Protect Water Quality and the Environment

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers issued a Clean Water Act (CWA) permit to Czar Coal Corporation for the Scaffold Lick Branch Coarse Refuse Storage Site project in eastern Kentucky.

The EPA's coordination with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and the Czar Coal Corporation resulted in significant protections against environmental impacts that are consistent with the CWA and recent EPA regulations and policy. These changes are expected to reduce existing water quality problems associated with previous coal mining in the watershed, improve restoration of the site during construction, and enhance mitigation to offset unavoidable mining impacts. The permit includes new water quality monitoring to assess stream health during and following mining activities at the site. These steps are consistent with the agencies' CWA regulations and recent mining policy issued by the EPA in April 2010. Appalachian coal mining has buried an estimated 2,000 miles of streams in states, including Kentucky. For more information, [click here](#).

Report on Water Quality in Kentucky Released for Public Comment

The Integrated Report to Congress on the Condition of Water Resources in Kentucky, 2010, volumes 1 and 2, prepared every two years as required by Section 305(b) of the Clean Water Act, has been released by the Energy and Environment Cabinet's Division of Water. Monitoring and assessment were performed on 282 stream segments, representing 1,157 stream miles in the Big Sandy-Little Sandy-Tygarts basin management units (BMUs) and 443 stream segments, totaling 2,239 stream miles in the Kentucky River BMU. Publicly accessible reservoirs (lakes) were monitored and assessed from those two BMUs of focus. The report also incorporates assessment data and results from monitoring that occurred during this reporting cycle outside of the BMUs of focus, thus providing a statewide update of monitoring results.

The Kentucky Division of Water is seeking comments on Volume 2, the 2010 draft list of impaired waters, as required by the Federal Clean Water Act. For more information, go to <http://migration.kentucky.gov/newsroom/water/DOWIR2010.htm>.

Green Tip

Summer is boating season. Protect the environment by fueling up away from the water. Since oil and gasoline spills can be hugely disastrous to the tiny ecosystems that support the flora and fauna of your waterfront, pour your fuel over a clean, flat surface on land and clean up any spills with a rag.

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